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## Unionists, Builders Donate Pool for Union Polio Victim

The spirit of cooperation and assistance in time of need was recently demonstrated by a number of local business firms and friends of Neil Weston of Carmel Highlands. The plight of Weston, a member of Carpenters Union 1323, was recently called to the union membership's attention by receipt of a letter from Mr. Heley of the Naval Post-Graduate School in Monterey.

## Electrician Designs 'Dimes' Collection Box

Frank Kelnhofer, member of Watsonville Electrical Workers Union 526, has designed a collection box for the March of Dimes campaign, a box which can be fitted atop parking meters for a personal appeal to motorists.

Watsonville city officials have approved installation of the new March of Dimes collection boxes in the downtown area during the month of January, according to Hazel Shireman, chairman of the Labor Committee for the March of Dimes and also secretary of the Watsonville Central Labor Council.

The Labor Committee was approached by Kelnhofer with his new idea and in, turn presented the idea to Attorney Thomas H. Shillicorn, general area chairman for the fund collection to aid the fight against infantile paralysis. Shillicorn presented the suggestion to the city council, Mrs. Shireman said.

Union members will make the collection boxes under direction of Kelnhofer and will assist in the installation and collection of coins, she added. If the idea works as well as expected, it may be spread to other areas to assist in the polio fund campaign.

## BUTCHER RAISE NOW IN EFFECT

Wage increase of \$6 per week for retail butchers in the 4-county jurisdiction of Butchers Union 506 has become effective with the ratification of the new retail industry contract by memberships at meetings during November. The increase is effective as Nov. 1.

Officials of Local 506 said frozen food lockers as well as retail shops are covered by the contract. Negotiations are underway for the wholesale agreement.

Look for the Union Label when doing Christmas shopping.

## Voice of the Past

### VOTE FOR HOOVER!

A vote for Hoover is a vote for belching smokestacks, flaring furnaces, clanging hammers, busy looms, honest and permanent agricultural relief—a vote for peak production, for steady employment, for the song of the riveter, for more automobiles—a vote for better government, for sounder business practice, for full time and fuller pay envelopes—a vote for impartial legislation, for the integrity of the Constitution, for continued equality before opportunity and the law—a vote for national safety, solvency and sobriety—and national ideals.

—Editorial, Los Angeles EXAMINER, Sunday, October 14, 1928.



## Labor Council Group Studies Christmas Fete

A special committee of the Monterey County Central Labor Union at Salinas was named at the last meeting to study the feasibility of holding the annual Christmas Party for Children in the Salinas area this year, despite the late date.

No action had been taken by the council in regard to the Christmas party until the last meeting, when the subject was broached. The committee, including John F. Mattos (Laborers), Earl Choate (Machinists), W. G. Kenyon (Teamsters), Dial H. Miles, president of the council, and A. J. Clark, council secretary, will report at the council meeting this Friday night at the Labor Temple.

Weston and nine of his neighbors dug the hole for the pool, but there the project stopped due to lack of funds. Some time later a friend, Paul Hazdovac, secretary of Plumbers Union 62, inquired about the family and learned of the need for the pool. He spread the word around, and in short time a number of local business firms made donations of the needed materials, and members of the Carpenters Local 1323 and Cement Finishers Local 690 agreed to donate the necessary labor to complete the project.

On Saturday, October 9th, 12 members of Carpenters Local 1323 turned out to fabricate and install the forms: Albert Augustus, E. E. Norman, Robt. Maxwell, Frank White, Tom Large, Les Fachuitte, Stan Sells, Frank Holland, Herman Hartman, Charlie Beaver, S. F. Goessling, and Leo Thiltgen. The following Saturday, six members of the Carpenters Union joined six members of the Cement Finishers Local 690 in the pouring and finishing of the cement: Vic Custer, Wm. Hallam, James Mills, Vincent Kuborn, Larry H. A. McNamee, Geo. Holt and Robt. Dalton of Local 1323.

Material was furnished by Stolt, Inc., lumber; M. J. Murphy, steel; Central Supply, cement; Pacific Plumbing and Heating, drain; Ben Tanner hauled all the material.

Pattee told of his ideas regarding labor legislation and urged labor union officials to consult him on legislative problems.

### PARK DIVIDED BY OCEAN

Hawaii National Park has 30 miles of ocean running through the middle of it. Part of the park is on the Island of Hawaii. Another part is on the Island of Maui.

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NOT A PRETTY PICTURE—especially when you are on the receiving end. A sneeze, a cough, a kiss, or fast talking by a person who has active tuberculosis can spread the germs. Early diagnosis and prompt treatment are necessary to break the chain of infection and bring the disease under control. Effective work is being done by tuberculosis association—Christmas Seals help find TB—buy them!

## AFL '55 Goals: Jobs, Tax Cuts

Cincinnati.—AFL President George Meany announced that labor's political activities will be intensified and expanded with the objective of electing liberal majorities to Congress in 1956.

In an "off-the-cuff" talk before the convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, Meany said the AFL is highly encouraged by the gains scored in the last election a few weeks ago.

However, he pointed out that Congress is still dominated by conservative-reactionary majorities which would normally oppose most of the forward-looking legislative program that the AFL is fighting for.

### PREPARE FOR '56

To overcome this opposition and to win enactment of progressive reforms, Meany emphasized, it is necessary for labor to start preparations immediately for the 1956 campaign and to work harder than ever before in the political field.

The AFL leader explained that the federation's political policy is the same now as it always has been—nonpartisan. He insisted that the AFL would never ally itself with either of the existing political parties, but would continue to maintain its political independence.

The big difference between past and present, Meany declared, is that now the AFL has set up machinery to carry out its political objectives—namely, Labor's League for Political Education.

### FORCED TO CHANGE

This change was forced upon the federation, Meany pointed out, by the anti-labor legislative campaign culminating in the adoption of the Taft-Hartley Act in 1947.

The big business interests, in their determination to halt labor's organizational and economic gains, switched their attack to the political arena and helped to elect majorities to the 80th Congress subservient to their wishes, the AFL leader charged.

Thus labor was forced, in the interests of self-preservation, to engage in political action on a much broader scale than ever before.

Meany reminded his labor audience that the Taft-Hartley Act is still in force with all its reprehensible provisions. He also pointed out that business interests have widened their attack to the state level and have secured the enactment of compulsory open shop laws in 17 states.

This is a challenge that labor must face up to if it hopes to preserve the high American standard of living and attain future progress, Meany stressed.

He explained that the goal of the federation in its legislative program is not merely to benefit union members but to advance the interests of all the American people and to strengthen the security of the Nation.

### CONTINUE FIGHT

Meany told the 1400 delegates that the AFL will continue its fight in the next session of Congress for amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act and will also ask tax reductions for families in the lower-income brackets.

With regard to unemployment, Meany said at a press conference here that "the Government should act when unemployment increases" because of the dangerous fact that "unemployment feeds on itself."

Carpenters President Maurice A. Hutchison reported to the convention that "of all parts of society, organized labor has fought Communism most consistently and with the most productive results."

Richard Gray, president of the AFL Building and Construction Trades Department, discussed the problems of enforcing Federal laws protecting labor standards in the

building industry. He held out little hope for action by the next Congress to relieve the building trades unions of unfair discriminations under the Taft-Hartley Act.

## Lumber Yard Laborers Out In Wage Tiff

Strike of laborers employed in major lumber yards in Monterey was called last week as result of refusal of the companies to sign a new contract providing a wage increase for lumber yard workers.

Officials of Laborers Union 690 said mill workers, members of Carpenters Union 1323, observed the picket lines at three lumber companies from the first, but members of Teamsters Union 890 crossed picket lines during the first two days. Further information was not available in time for publication here.

George Jenkins, secretary of Laborers Union 690, said that he expected the Teamsters to co-operate with the strike and picket lines after a conference with union officials, and expressed hope that the strike would be of short duration.

Picketed were the Tynan Lumber Co., Work Lumber Co., and Union Supply Co., all in Monterey and vicinity.

The lumber yard laborers struck for an increase of five cents an hour. These laborers have had a wage scale of \$1.76 an hour, while laborers on construction jobs get \$2.07½ an hour and are covered by an excellent health and welfare plan. There is no health and welfare plan for laborers in the lumber yards, Jenkins said.

He added that the laborers are asking four holidays also, and that millmen (carpenters) employed by the lumber firms already have eight holidays while laborers have none.

Strike sanction was approved by the county Building Trades Council and the strike action was progressing quietly at time of this pre-Thanksgiving report.

## Carp. Council To Meet in K.C.

Next meeting of the Monterey Bay District Council of Carpenters will be held in King City, with Carpenters Union 1279 as host. The meeting is Tuesday night, Dec. 14.

This will be the final meeting of 1954 and council officers have urged a full attendance of the delegates. Important business is scheduled.

## More Sardines

With more sardines shipped to the Monterey area for processing, additional members of the Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union are finding employment, according to Union Secretary Roy Humber. Sardines were processed at the new Ferrante Packing Co. and Enterprise Packing Co. plants last week, it was reported.

# RIGHT MANAGEMENT OF WELFARE FUNDS

By ALFRED BAKER LEWIS

The gigantic growth of union welfare funds has put temptation in the way of many people to a degree that they have not been faced with heretofore. Although these funds are supposed to be administered under the Taft-Hartley Act by a Board of Trustees composed equally of representatives of the employers and of the union, the employer representatives have in a good many cases simply abdicated their authority and dropped anything more than a pretense of responsibility.

Thus they left the management of the welfare funds and the selection of the insurance company, to which the group insurance contract was to be awarded, to the union representatives. That is why temptation on a grand scale has been put before the union representatives, with the connivance of

course of the employers. It is not surprising that a few have yielded to temptation, so that in these few cases, graft has entered the management of these welfare funds with the permission of the employer representatives and for the advantage of the insurance companies involved.

Commendable efforts are now being made by the AFL and the CIO to curb and control the small minority of welfare funds into the management of which graft has entered. But the top leaders of organized labor should have help from legislation. About all that the international unions and the AFL and CIO themselves can do when they find dishonesty in any particular instance in the management of these funds is to expel the union involved if the situation is not promptly cleared up. The experience of the AFL in expelling the International Association of Longshoremen in New York was that that is not always effective. The expelled union simply went its evil ways as before.

## CROOKS IN MINORITY

The proper function of legislation is to jolt up the minority of crooks and potential crooks to the higher levels of decency and honesty which the majority of us want. In dealing with union welfare funds this principle can well be applied. State laws should be enacted, with the vigorous support of organized labor, to provide full publicity for the operation of such funds, including the amounts paid for salary, the names of those to whom commissions are paid and the amounts, and in general, the proportion of cost to benefits. The union members (and the employers' too, for they have equal responsibility under the law for all funds that have been started since the Taft-Hartley Law was enacted) will know if the funds are being improperly used for the enrichment of certain individuals and companies and who those individuals are.

Another thing that proper legislation could require is notice to the insurance industry generally when a welfare fund is seeking to set up a pension system on a program for accident and health and death benefits so that different companies could submit competitive bids.

Graft and dishonesty arises when special favors are given out; and special favors can be practically eliminated when there are competitive bids from different insurance companies to provide the greatest possible benefits to the union members for the amount of money that the collective bargaining agreements has allocated for welfare benefits.

Probably it should not be required by law that the lowest bid would always have to be accepted, for there are other considerations which should be taken into account in judging how satisfactory a particular pension or accident and health policy is, particularly the fairness of the insurance company in accepting or denying claims for benefits, and the promptness with which benefit claims are paid.

But if the law required at least an opportunity for competitive bids, plus full publicity and reports in the management of all welfare funds, the union representatives on the board of the welfare fund would have to justify to the members any particular instance in which the bid providing the largest benefits for the money was not accepted by giving convincing reasons why other considerations were controlling in this particular case.

Publicity, full disclosure, and competitive bidding required by law will be a great help to the efforts of the union leaders and members to prevent abuses in the management of union welfare funds.

## Grain Millers Vote \$250,000 Defense Fund

Chicago—Delegates to the AFL American Federation of Grain Millers fourth constitutional convention voted to create a \$250,000 defense fund to pay strike benefits.

About 350 attended the convention in Chicago's Sherman Hotel, representing 35,000 members from coast to coast.

Samuel P. Ming, of Minneapolis, was re-elected president of the union at the closing session. He has headed the Millers since their international union was chartered in 1948.

To raise money for defense, the union voted to assess each member 25 cents a month until the \$250,000 figure is reached.

Need for a defense fund was demonstrated in the General Mills strike last June, which the union won after a three-week stoppage. Issue in the strike was enforcement of a contract provision for three weeks vacation after 15 years service.

Some locals of the AFGM have their own provisions for strike benefits, but small locals of 15 or 20 workers would be defenseless in a strike situation without help from the international, delegates pointed out.

## Appetite Teasers★

### Creole Sauce

1 1-lb. package spaghetti  
4 tablespoons olive or salad oil  
1 clove garlic, chopped  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1 green pepper, chopped  
1/2 cup celery, chopped  
1/2 cup tomato catsup  
1 No. 2 can tomatoes (2 1/4 cups)  
1 teaspoon salt  
Few grains each: black pepper, cayenne pepper, and ground cloves

Saute garlic, onion, green pepper and celery in oil until soft. Add remaining ingredients and simmer, uncovered, for 40 minutes, stirring occasionally. Serve over cooked spaghetti.

### Tomato Sauce

1 1-lb. package spaghetti  
2 onions, chopped  
1 clove garlic, chopped  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 No. 2 can tomato juice (2 1/4 cups)  
1 can tomato paste (1/2 cup)  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1/2 tablespoon salt  
Dash pepper  
Few grain cayenne pepper

Saute onions and garlic in olive oil until light brown. Add remaining ingredients and simmer for one hour, uncovered, stirring occasionally. Serve over cooked spaghetti with grated cheese.

A good furniture polish should dry out to a high lustre with a reasonable amount of rubbing. If the polish remains sticky you have either applied too much, applied the polish over a sticky or dirty base or are using an inferior furniture polish.



Fast becoming the major artery out of the Bay Bowl Bottleneck is this northbound expressway over the watery shorelines of the East Bay, and this junction with Ashby Avenue will become an important off-shoot to the east through the Berkeley hills tunnel freeway. Great fills, wide paving areas, over and underpasses—all are part of this \$50-million improvement leading northward from the new bridge approach maze now building, zooming through Richmond, over the foothills to Carquinez Straits, thence easily to the long open reaches of Route 40 to Sacramento and the Sierras. (Another fine aerial picture by Jim Jennings, member of Local 3.)

## Deadlock Ends; Marble Shopmen Get 12 1/2 Cents

San Francisco.

Union and employer committees, meeting after four months of seemingly hopeless deadlock to select a fifth man for arbitration proceedings, suddenly found the magic key last week and settled the wage negotiations of Marble Shopmen Local 95.

Settlement was on the basis of a 12 1/2 cents per hour wage raise across the board, retroactive to October 15.

Present when the agreement was reached were Building Trades Council Bus. Rep. Al Mailoux, Mel Della Santina, representing Local 95, and Ed Lanthier, representing the Tile, Marble & Terrazzo Help-ers & Shopmen International.

Talks had gone on intermittently since July 15. The contract, which expires December 31, 1955, was open only on wages.

Benefited by the raise are some 120 shopmen in the Northern California counties.

The industry group involved is the Marble Dealers Assn.

## PERU BOMBS THE PIRATE SHIPS!

San Francisco.

A fleet of 14 whaling ships operated under the Panama flag by the fabulous Greek shipping magnate, Aristotle Socrates Onassis, last week got into trouble with the country of Peru, which proceeded to bomb and machine-gun the fleet.

Peru objected to them operating in her waters, and the Peru navy seized five of the whalers before the fleet scattered. Panama then demanded, apparently acting on orders from Onassis, that the seized ships be released.

Onassis has a huge fleet of ships, most of them gotten thru manipulation in the U.S. and consisting of surplus war-built vessels. He registers them under Panama in order to operate with motley crews of non-union, under-paid men, who live in unbelievable conditions on these ships, and he thus also dodges U.S. taxes and safety laws. Many foreign operators are operating U.S.-built ships under Panama, Honduras, or Liberia flags, and Louis Rothschild, U.S. Maritime Administrator, is now permitting wholesale transfer of U.S. ships to these flags so they "may compete."

Thousands of U.S. sailors and shipyard workers are being thrown out of work as a result.

## What a "Right to Work" Law Means

Vallejo.

Remember the big business-inspired attempt to force passage of a "right to work" bill through the California State Legislature?

It was defeated here in this state, thanks to a titanic effort by labor, which organized protest caravans to Sacramento, moved thousands of members to wire their representatives protesting this union-obliterating bill.

But it was not defeated in the state of Alabama.

There it is the law.

Under this law, a few weeks ago, seven Alabama trade unionists were fined \$300 each and sentenced to six months "hard labor" for breaking that law. The convictions are the first secured under the law since it was passed.

Here is the Tuscaloosa News' account of the "crime":

"The men were convicted on charges of using force and violence in an attempt to prevent a worker from engaging in a lawful occupation. The incident involved some non-striking linesmen for the Alabama Telephone Co. of Fayette who were engaged in repair work on the company's line near Re-

form. Local 95.

"Testimony in the trial showed the accused men advanced on the work party and continued to advance after warnings from a police officer to halt.

"Testimony showed that three autos containing the defendants assembled near the place where non-strikers were scheduled to go to work. Reform police chief William Ambrose was reported to have twice ordered the men to stop. When they continued to advance, testimony showed, he presented his gun and the advancing men departed.

### WHAT "VIOLENCE"?

"After their departure, the chief told the men working the lines that they had better quit work as there might be trouble. The non-strikers climbed down from their work and went to Fayette where they swore out warrants against the strikers.

"The defendants were arrested in Fayette and taken to Carrollton jail where they posted a total bond of \$22,000 to gain their freedom."

These "convicts" are ordinary trade unionists like yourself. They did what they did because they would not, like yourself, stand by and watch a strikebreaker take the bread out of their mouths. There was no violence, and not even any clear indication that there would have been violence.

The Tuscaloosa News tactfully refers to these strikebreakers as men "who were reported to have been hired to replace striking employees." But the labor movement, in Solano County and in Alabama, has a shorter word for them.

## Work Stoppages In N. Y. Drop Sharply

New York City.—The total of 106,164 workers involved in 372 work stoppages in effect throughout the state of New York during the first nine months of 1954 represented a sharp drop from the same span of last year, Industrial Commissioner Edward Corsi announced. In 1953, there were 501 strikes or lockouts, involving 153,024 workers.

The 1,387,958 man-days of idleness for the January-September period this year contrasted to the 2,543,210 lost during the same period of 1953.

## Auto Wreck Kills James Mandt

San Mateo.

James Mandt, member of San Mateo Painters Union 918 but widely known throughout this area, was killed in an automobile accident Sunday night (Nov. 21) on the San Mateo-Hayward Bridge.

Death was attributed to multiple injuries, head and internal, when the painter's car crashed into the rear of a state maintenance truck parked on the highway to warn motorists of the wreckage of another collision on the east approach to the bridge.

The accident occurred about 6:50 p.m. Sunday. Witnesses said Bro. Mandt was driving at high speed and apparently failed to see the truck and its warning lights. The car, a 5-day-old Nash Rambler, was demolished with the motor driven onto the seat. Bro. Mandt was pinned in the car.

"Jim" Mandt, as he was known to his countless friends, was a veteran of World War II, during which he had added the initial "P" to his name for identification purposes.

He served his apprenticeship as a painter in San Mateo and had been a continuous member of Local 918, working for many years at Fuller Paint Co. and more recently for various painting contractors on the Peninsula.

His wife, Mrs. Myrtle Mandt, and their two daughters, Carol 13, and Marlene, 10, are survivors.

Bro. Mandt had been active in labor union affairs, representing his union as delegate for a time at meetings of the Bay Cities Metal Trades Council and in other capacities.

Politically he was active in Democratic party politics, serving on numerous campaign committees. He was equally active in fraternal lodge and veteran affairs.

## Civil Service Wkrs. Get Career Status

San Francisco.

An order signed this week by President Eisenhower will give greater job security to most of the 673,000 federal employees who now hold an "indefinite" standing, their new rating being career status. About half of the 450,000 persons directly affected were persons hired since the Eisenhower administration took office.

Also included in the new order is a bar against discrimination against any person or in favor of anyone because of his race, political affiliation, or religious beliefs except as may be authorized by law.

A nation-wide sugar beet test to find out if growers are producing the highest possible yields has been set up by plant scientists of the University of California.

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By JOHN F. MATTOS, Secretary and Business Agent

Conditions in our area are not improved as had been expected. Things will improve in the near future, we are sure, but it may mean some traveling for some of our members. The jobs coming up are not right here in our own back yard.

The pour on the Bolado Bridge was made last week by Granite Construction Co. This was a pretty sight to see, with the pour running so smoothly. It seems as if everyone was enjoying his part. On many concrete pours there seems to be excitement, tension and the feeling that there may be trouble. I have asked questions many times but never have found any sensible answer. I don't like excitement on any job because this often leads to accidents. The feeling of tension and haste many times is provoked by the superintendent on a pour, sometimes the same individual who wants to keep the compensation insurance rate down.

Speaking of compensation, any member with a problem should report it to the office. We are much interested in the handling of these compensation cases and hearings, ratings, and payments. TO ALL MEMBERS: Don't ever sign any papers for insurance companies. Always get competent advice, and feel free to discuss your case with your union officials. The compensation laws are to protect you, and where you sign papers, particularly "release from claim" papers, you may lose much money.

We can avail ourselves of protection in compensation cases only if we ask someone who knows the state compensation laws. Remember this: Don't sign any paper without proper knowledge and advice from neutral persons. We mean ABSOLUTELY NEVER SIGN ANY PAPER without proper advice—you may be throwing away many dollars.

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James Briggs, hodcarrier for Vincent Blatt, says that his new daughter is the sweetest thing that could happen to anyone and that she and her mother are doing very nicely—but Dad just works that much harder!

Bro. Tex Walker was up for a disability hearing on Nov. 18, represented by Ted Cominos, Salinas attorney. Tex was injured last year on the Del Webb job.

T. A. Walker's son was in a serious car mishap last week and had not regained consciousness at time of this report. He was in the Peninsula Hospital and a specialist was due to be brought in to try to help him. We wish him speedy recovery.

Jesus Granadas was around the hall the other day, all dressed up and certainly not working for Contractor Juncker. He said a blessed event was expected soon, adding that he had no preference but just hoped everything would turn out all right. Good luck—and may we enjoy the cigars!

Contractor Alfred Juncker has started the Greyhound Bus Depot job on W. Gabilan. This will be a good job, with a lot of tile work.

Manuel Loreto, laid up some time, is reported on the mend. Hope to see you around and in best of health soon, Manuel.

Jose de la Torre, that good natured and hard working business agent from San Jose Laborers Union 270, called us about some union business and then added that Homer Freel, business agent for hodcarriers in San Jose and holder of Book No. 1 in the Salinas local, is up again and back on the job.

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More on the Health and Welfare Plan:

**Surgical Benefits for Employee and His Dependents**

You will be reimbursed for fees charged for surgical operations performed on you or any of your dependents by a licensed physician or surgeon, up to the amounts shown in the schedule of operations which appears at the end of the booklet available for you at your union office, but not to exceed \$300 for all operations performed during one period of disability. Operations resulting from pregnancy are covered only to the extent set forth in an earlier article entitled "Maternity Benefits."

Where more than one operative procedure is performed during the

course of a single operation, the maximum reimbursement will be the amount listed in the schedule for the more expensive operation.

In your case, successive operations will be considered to have been performed during one period of disability unless they are due to entirely unrelated causes or unless they are separated by complete recovery and return to or availability for regular work.

In the case of dependents, successive operations will be considered to have been performed during one period of disability, unless they are due to different causes or if they are separated by a period of three months.

#### In-Hospital Medical Benefits for Employee and His Dependents

If you or any of your dependents are confined in a licensed hospital, you will be entitled, with respect to any one confinement for medical care, to \$4.00 per day multiplied by the number of days of confinement for which room and board charges have been made. The maximum amount payable during any one period of confinement is \$124. No medical payments are payable during a hospital confinement due to pregnancy.

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The Welfare Plan is proving to be the best condition ever gained by organized labor. The members can avail themselves of a booklet listing all the conditions and schedules—by asking for this booklet on the welfare plan the next time you are at the union office.

Happy birthday greetings to the following members: James H. Jordan, Harold Sheehy and Lawrence Lambert.

The term "Take it Easy!" means (to most of us) to always do things which are safe—not to do as little as possible on a job, and maybe lose your job. Help prevent accidents by being cautious. Winter months always take a large toll of our people, more than summertime. So—"Watch Your Step and Take it Easy!"

A whole lot of our people are asking for the UNION LABEL on the clothing and other articles which they buy. Do you? Help yourself by helping others—BE UNION, BUY UNION LABEL!

Recently our members have said: "Oh, I didn't know!" They would have known if they attended the union meeting. It's up to YOU!

Joe tells us that they named a town in Massachusetts after his old foreman—Marblehead, Mass.

—Hasta la Vista!

## 20 Contractors Blacklisted by U.S.

Cincinnati—Twenty building contractors who "break down hard-earned labor standards, cheat their own workers and place fair bidders at a competitive disadvantage" were "blacklisted" by the Government during the year ending last June 30, Secretary of Labor James Mitchell said.

Mitchell told the 27th general convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America that the number of such cases was five times as large as for the whole 17-year period from 1935 to 1952.

Contractors employed on Government-financed jobs may be barred from Federal projects for three years if they violate Federal wage laws.

The Secretary did not identify the blacklisted companies. However, he cited as an example a Texas contractor who used experienced workers and paid them as carpenters' helpers and "junior helpers." And in New Mexico, crews at an Air Force base were working seven eight-hour days a week without overtime pay.

Jobs, food, shelter, health, security and happiness—all these depend on a strong labor movement!

## 3½ Million Unemployed—and the Public Press Is Silent

One of the least respectable duties of the public press, which sometimes claims to be free, is to side with employers in the name of the "public" when a strike has been called.

How many times in the last ten years have we read sentiments, usually in bold-face type on the first page, like the following: "The public has the right to demand that the union weigh carefully the consequences of its action in terms of the discomfort and misery a strike invariably brings about. The public will this time not consent to suffer silently or for very long if it suspects that, as sometimes happens, the strike scheduled for tomorrow morning could have been avoided."

that many unions have had to choose between calling their members out on strike and admitting that they are powerless to help their members. What can a union do against a group of employers who are determined not to grant even the most minimal increase, or even not to negotiate?

Most unions, in strike situations, have to make this choice. But how often does the daily press allow this fact—that the employers have forced the strike—to get into its columns? Instead we always find the dailies pompously reminding the union of its heavy responsibilities. And this is always done in terms of the discomfort and misery caused by strikes.

But the public press, always so concerned when a strike is pending, is strangely silent these days about an economic fact that is causing more misery and discomfort than all the strikes of the last ten years laid end to end. The Government's official figures for the number of unemployed is 3½ million. And this is admittedly con-

servative since it counts only those drawing unemployment insurance.

If, at any time during the last ten years, the million Americans—less than a third of the number now drawing jobless pay—had been on strike, the nation's dailies would have proclaimed us on the verge of economic disintegration, if not revolution. But because these 3½ millions are idle through the deliberate manipulation or mismanagement of our industrial leaders, our dailies remain editorially silent.

They do not—let's take special note—pompously remind the leaders of

Big Business of their responsibilities.

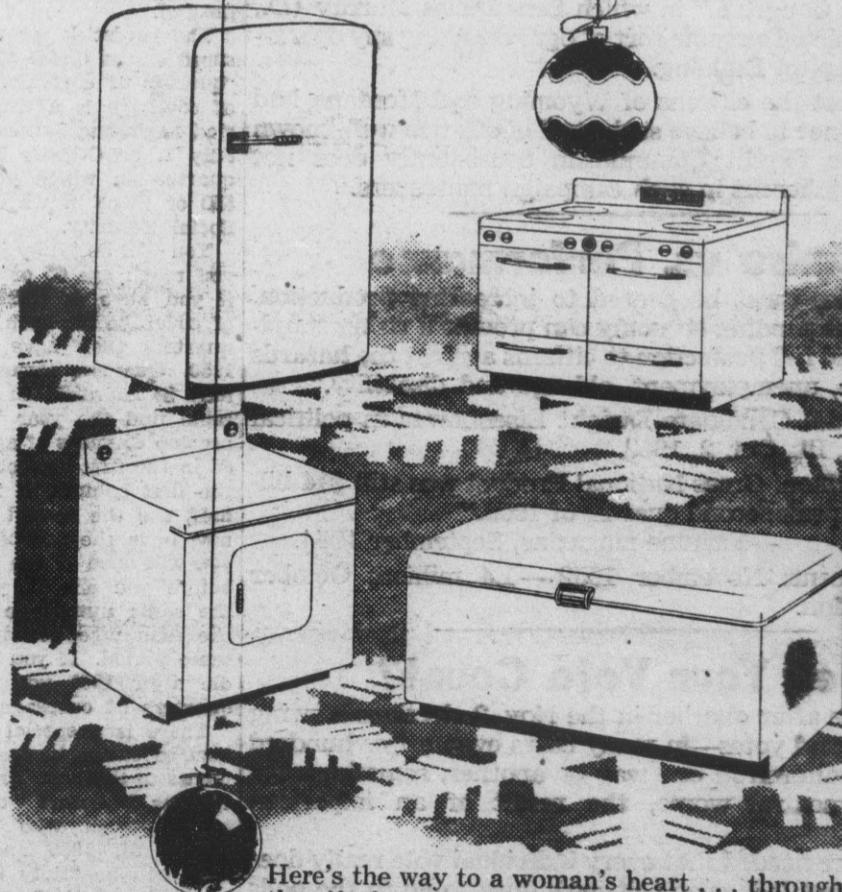
Our daily press from time to time calls itself "free." We are not sure, as we are certain that the dailies themselves are not sure, just what this means. If it means unbiased, then now is the time for American daily papers to call attention to the shocking fact of large-scale unemployment and to demands of Big Business—as they never fail to demand of organized labor—that something be done.

## ECONOMY DRUG CO.

434 Alvarado  
Monterey, Calif.

make it a white Christmas...

give her  
a major  
appliance!



Here's the way to a woman's heart . . . through the gift that gives leisure, comfort, convenience. A gleaming white work-saving appliance! Hasn't she been hinting about a freezer or a new refrigerator? Or perhaps a washer or dryer . . . or an automatic range. This Christmas is the time to make her dreams come true. And with P. G. and E.'s low rates, modern appliances are so inexpensive to run. Why not make your first Christmas-shopping stop at your appliance dealer's. Make it a white Christmas . . . with a gleaming white wife-saving appliance!

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## Two Issues for Airing

When the Democrats take control of Senate and House committees after the 84th Congress meets in January it is to be hoped that they will investigate two issues which strike at basic American principles. Both of these have flared in the headlines during the past few months.

One is the business of identifying Federal employees in the public mind as being sort of a faceless mob of untrustworthy citizens, with large numbers of "security risks" among them.

The implication has been made by men high in the councils of the Eisenhower Administration that close to 7000 Government workers have been kicked out because they could not be trusted with the Nation's secrets. When called upon to name a single Communist or spy who has been fired from the Federal Government since Jan. 20, 1953, they evade the issue and talk about "pinks," "left-wingers," "followers of the party line," "Red-fronters" and just plain "radicals." Conceivably, a loyal American citizen could stand accused by these high officials of following the Communist line because he believes in free public education.

A thorough Congressional investigation should be made of such charges. If there are Communists or subversives among Federal employees, past or present, they should be exposed and sent to jail. That would remove the cloud of subversion which has arisen over the heads of other Government workers, some of whom have been discharged for one reason or another or have retired voluntarily. It would not only lift the sagging morale in Government agencies but would be in accordance with fundamental precepts of individual dignity, the bedrock of our democracy.

The other issue is campaign tactics. For instance, there was the business of running advertisements calling Senator-elect Joseph O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.), "Foreign Agent 783" because he had registered with the Justice Department as counsel to the United States-Cuban Sugar Organization, an American-owned company operating in Cuba.

And for another instance, there was the business of distributing a lurid pamphlet called, "Senator Murray and the Red Web Over Congress," in which Sen. James Murray (D., Mont.) was depicted as some sort of ogre directing spy operations in the Capitol Building.

The fact that the citizens of Wyoming and Montana had the good sense not to believe such stuff about two well-known men who have fought Communism consistently does not lessen the evil inherent in such campaign maneuvers.

## Promise vs. Performance

"Our policies must be geared to increasing production. Only a stable, expanding economy can provide a rising standard of living and full protection to citizens against the hazards of modern life, unemployment, old age and disability."

—Presidential Candidate Dwight Eisenhower in political speech, Peoria, Ill., Oct. 2, 1952.

"At \$356 billion, Gross National Product was still \$14 billion below the peak second quarter of 1953."

—Fortune magazine, September 1954.

Unemployment: November 1952 — 1.4 million; October 1954 — 2.7 million.

## Does Your Vote Count?

In one state after another in the Nov. 2 elections a swing of a few thousand votes—in many cases even a few hundred—would have altered in one way or another, sometimes for better, sometimes for worse, the result of an important election.

If proof were needed that every individual vote really does "count," and that it is every citizen's duty to go to the polls to register his convictions, the Nov. 2 elections supplied it in drastic fashion.—The New York Times.

## A Good Start

Democratic leaders of the new 84th Congress are making a good start even before they assume power. Their decision to cooperate in a bipartisan foreign policy, provided they are accorded advance consultation by the White House, is highly commendable. Their announcement that a pay raise for Government employees will receive "must" consideration deserves congratulations.

## They Lie With Statistics!

By CHARLES CURTISS

A battle of statistics exploded as the recent national elections neared the climax.

Unemployment is declining, farmers are prosperous, the cost of living is dropping, the tax program is fair—so claimed the Republicans, reinforcing their assertions with a barrage of numbers.

With a cannonade of figures of their own, the Democrats proved the contrary was the reality and that the Republican statistics had been doctored to paint a rosy, but false picture.

From this controversy two conclusions emerge: Statistics are important, and they can be manufactured and purposely twisted to confuse.

Modern society cannot function

without statistics. From birth to death each of us are a part of a statistical array. Our collective and individual well-being is mirrored in graphs and tables. Our opinions are molded by arguments based on statistics.

Whether our children shall have adequate schools, whether there will be work for us, our wages, farm parity prices, our social security, insurance, taxes—these are some of the questions influenced by statistics.

## PAYCHECKS HIT

Our paychecks will suffer if as unionists we are not able to understand and use statistics, and are not able to see through statistical sleight-of-hand.

Ideas are communicated in three major ways: Words, whether written or spoken; pictures, and by mathematics. Each of these ways can be used to tell the truth or to lie, distort and conceal.

We have all experienced the liar who uses words, whether it be a braggart neighbor or fellow-worker who spins a tall story, or a high-pressure salesman, or a reactionary politician orator from platform or radio. Type, ink and paper may be the vehicle or falsehood as shown by fraudulent advertisements, and bought-and-paid-for editorials.

Even the camera can be an instrument of falsification. A case that comes to mind is a Maryland campaign of several years ago. A picture of the Democratic senatorial candidate and a prominent Communist in a cordial chat was broadcast as "proof" the Democratic candidate was either a Communist or friendly to Communists. But the event shown in the "photograph" never happened. Two separate photographs were joined together by henchmen of Sen. Joseph McCarthy.

An impressive method of lying is with the aid of mathematics. A gross falsehood, if accompanied by columns of figures and graphs, appears to the uninitiated—and that is most of us—to be nearly gospel truth.

## COUNTERPART OF LIE

To make our readers aware of some statistical snare is the purpose of these articles. The lie outright is the most simple, but most easily exposed, species of falsehood. If a person makes a false statement—let us say that he, fraudulently, asserts that he witnessed an event—all that is necessary to establish the truth is to show that he had not been there, and, if one wants to pursue the matter, prove that he had been elsewhere.

Forgery is the statistical counterpart of the lie outright. To refute it, the alleged figures must be exposed as fictitious. Correct figures can be given to cinch the correction.

If an anti-union's advocate were

recently insured at the time he died, even if he was not fully insured.

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1967	32	33	
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1969	36	37	
1970	38	39	
1971 or later	40	40	

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to claim that non-union workers were better paid than union workers, and were to cite statistics to support his statement, these figures would be fabrication. And statistics from such sources as the Department of Labor would prove union wages superior to non-union.

But the lie outright is the mark of beginners and blunderers in prevarication. There are subtler forms of statistical fraud. A more finished liar might use the false or shifting definition.

Let us take the number of unemployed as an example. To find the total number of unemployed as compared to a year before, factories might be asked: "How many have you laid off since last year?" An underestimation of the jobless results from this query for it is premised on a false definition which does not take into account the hundreds of thousands who each year enter the job market on leaving school.

## ODD HEADLINE

Suppose we see the headline: "Job Situation Brightens; Unemployment Claims Drop." We investigate and find that at a previous period the unemployed had been defined as those willing and able to work and unable to find a job.

In contrast, now the unemployed are defined as those drawing unemployment compensation.

By shifting definition a deceptive conclusion is arrived at. Unemployment compensation payment claims may decline, not because of an upswing in the number of jobs, but also because people left the compensation rolls after having exhausted their claims without finding work.

Unemployment may increase while insurance claims decline.

Moral: Scrutinize and compare definitions when examining statistics, or you may be fall guy for a quick-change artist.

## Appetite Teasers ★

## QUICK EGG NOODLE

## TUNA BAKE

1-8-oz. or 1/2-lb. package egg noodles  
1 can tuna fish (7-oz.)  
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup  
1/2 tsp. salt  
Dash pepper

Separate tuna fish into flakes and mix with soup, milk and seasonings. Cook egg noodles according to package directions and combine with tuna fish mixture in a baking dish. Top with buttered bread crumbs, if desired, and heat in a moderate (350°) oven for 20-30 minutes. Makes six servings.

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## FRIED HAM AND EGG NOODLES

1-8-oz. or 1/2-lb. package medium egg noodles  
3 slices boiled ham or use leftover ham  
4 tbsps. butter  
Black pepper

Cut ham into 1/2-inch squares and saute in butter until crisp. Cook egg noodles according to package directions and mix immediately with ham and pan drippings. Turn out on a hot platter and sprinkle with pepper. Any green vegetable, such as broccoli, makes an ideal accompaniment. Makes six servings.

## Wholesale Prices Decrease Slightly

Wholesale prices declined by three-tenths of 1 percent between September and October, the Labor Department reported. Their average dipped to 109.7 percent of the 1947-49 average, the lowest point in more than a year.

Much lower prices for processed foods and a fractional decline in farm products were responsible for the decrease.

## Teachers Schedule Organization Conference



An organization campaign conference has been scheduled by the American Federation of Teachers and the AFL Department of Organization to be held in Chicago, Dec. 27-29. Tentative program is being reviewed with Secretary-Treasurer William F. Schnitzler by Peter McGavin (left), assistant director of organization, and President Carl J. Megel, shown here with (left to right, standing in rear) Vice Presidents J. Earl McGinnes of Wilmington, Del.; William P. Swan of Gary, Ind., and Regional Director George K. Reese of Chicago.

### Not Sad, But Crying:

## Small Branch of L. A. Found in Santa Rosa Central Labor Temple

What to do about the "smog" in the Santa Rosa Central Labor Temple has been a problem facing Carpenters 751, owner of the building, for a long time.

How to keep the smokers from getting more smoke than they want—especially in their eyes—is the heart of the problem. The answer would seem to be in some sort of modification of the ventilating system, says Secy. Charles A. Cavagna.

According to discussion at last Friday's local meeting, some improvement might be made for as little as \$500, though there are doubts as to whether this would be a satisfactory solution. At any rate, the members of Local 751 apparently are in a mood to do something about the problem immediately.

### NEW LOOK

Other improvements also are being made, including the re-flooring with composition tile of the two smaller meeting halls of the Labor Temple. The next step will be to upholster the wall-benches in the meeting halls. The original cushions are now judged to be "worn out."

There was much discussion at the meeting of the Carpenters' health and welfare plan. Chief criticism at the present time is that

many members do not receive coverage. This was judged to be the result of having eligibility requirements "too rigid," says Cavagna. "The local has requested additional information on this point from the San Francisco office of the H. & W. plan.

The strike on the Northwestern Pacific Railroad is having little, if any, effect on the building industry here, reports indicate. Most lumber traveling by rail goes out of state, or at least outside the North Coast and North Bay areas, local stuff comes in mainly by truck.

### NICE SPIRIT

It came to light at the meeting that one member of the local was likely to have a pretty dull Thanksgiving. So the members voted to do something about it. Vice Pres. Arthur Howard, who has no relatives anywhere near Santa Rosa, has been hospitalized for some time and is now convalescing. With Bro. Jack Perry volunteering as official host, Bro. Howard will be taken to the Perry home, where he will have Thanksgiving dinner and be otherwise entertained over the weekend. Local 751 will pick up the tab.

Happy Thanksgiving to Bro. Howard, and to Bro. Perry and all other members of Carpenters 751.

## Plans Series of Educational Films

Vallejo.

AFL Secretary William Schnitzler, who has a special interest in workers' education, heads an AFL group which is making available to central bodies and unions a whole series of film, specially-made labor shorts and documentaries, and re-edited excerpts from old films with special meaning for trade unionists.

They include: "A Watch for Joe," a dramatized version of a young store clerk's experience of the Retail Clerks' Union; "With These Hands," a film version of the Ladies' Garment Workers' rich history as a trade union; "Youth Wants to Know," a short of AFL President George Meany being interviewed by a delegation of young people; an excerpt from "The Oxbow Incident," a harrowing record of what happens when men forget about the "due process" clause in the Constitution; an excerpt from the "Mortal Storm" dealing with the suppression of academic freedom and burning of books under the Nazis back in the 1930's; "The High Wall," a short on racial and religious prejudice.

## INCUMBENT OFFICERS FAVERED BY SANTA ROSA BARBERS

Santa Rosa.

On Sunday, November 14, Barbers & Beauticians 159 put on a big dinner, with members and their ladies as guests.

It was a most enjoyable affair, according to Business Agent Steve Stephens. Apparently it left the members in a happy and generous mood for days to come, since they nominated only incumbent officers at the November 18 meeting.

Given the nod again for re-election were Pres. Paul T. Baley, Sec. Leo J. Wells, Vice Pres. Harold Garrison, Recording Sec. Stanley Walkerline, and Bus. Agent S. E. Stephens.

The meeting attracted one of the biggest turnouts in a long time, says Bro. Stephens.

### POCKET OILING 'CAN'

A new pocket oil 'can' which looks like a fountain pen has been developed. It has a plastic barrel and a needlelike tube for greater accuracy in oiling. Squeezing the barrel forces the oil out. A plastic cap with clasp enables the oiler to be carried in the pocket.

## 8 P.M. Meeting Time KO'ed by TV 'Fight Night'

Wednesday night "Fight Night" on television is a fact of modern life, the Marin County Central Labor Council has finally decided, and it is trying to face up to this reality.

Accordingly, at its last meeting the Council, which meets on Wednesday nights, voted to advance the meeting time from 8 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. so that some of the inveterate fight fans will be able to get to the Council meetings more regularly.

Sec. E. N. ("Nick") Frye said, "Let's face it—some of the Brothers stick right by that TV set until the fight is over, then they decide that since they're going to be late to the Council meeting, they might as well not go. This way, they can see the fight and still make the meeting."

## Painters' Life Member Passes

San Mateo.

D. M. St. John, elected as a life member of San Mateo Painters Union 913 on July 13, 1937, passed away on Oct. 30 at his home near Palm Springs, the union announced this week.

According to Union Business Manager Kenneth M. Hower and Financial Secretary Byron Slafter, Bro. St. John was 80 years of age. Since his retirement as a painter and paper hanger, employed by Contractor Al Brewer, Bro. St. John had moved to Southern California and was operating a novelty shop. There are no known survivors, union officials added.

## Painters 913 Hit Arbitration

San Mateo.

Opposition of members of Painters Union 913 of San Mateo to the compulsory arbitration clause in the present Bay Area Painting Agreement was shown as the union voted to eliminate the clause, the vote a special order of business at last week's meeting.

Results of the Bay Area balloting will not be known until all locals and contractor groups have voted, it was reported.

### EASY TO UNIONIZE

Portland, Ore.—The Retail Clerks didn't have a bit of trouble in gaining union conditions at the newly-opened Universal Market. Its proprietors are Tom Sudlow and Joe Spacek, for many years members of Food & Drug Clerks 1092. Both are former Safeway managers.

## Bread and Butter Facts

# Citizens Better Represented By U.S. Than Own States

By LANE KIRKLAND

The victory of Richard Neuberger in the Oregon Senatorial race will bring to Washington one of the Nation's most able and articulate critics of the character and delinquencies of state governments. His mettle will be put to an early test. With an Administration in power which seems determined to

lators, conducted by the American Political Science Association, gives a good indication of the economic interests that predominate in most state governments today. It found that 1728 were businessmen, 1673 were lawyers, and 1468 were farmers. Only 367 were identified as craftsmen or laborers. Even this does not give the full picture, for it fails to show the strings that lead from many a state legislator to big business lobbies behind the scenes.

One conclusion emerges. With all the faults of the Congress and the Federal bureaucracy, the average citizen is far more ably, efficiently and fairly represented by the Government in Washington than he is by the legislature and the bureaucracy in his home state capitol. Every Dixon-Yates deal that is pulled off in Washington has its multifold counterparts, which go unnoticed and unexposed, at the state level.

Neuberger has advocated a number of reforms—such as reapportionment, higher salaries for state legislators and officials, and the overhauling of state constitutions—that could eventually make it possible for the states to assume a larger share of the burden of government without serious injury to the public interest. It is clear, however, that those reforms should be adopted before serious consideration is given to any substantial shift of functions, powers and programs from the Federal Government to the states. Until then, "states' rights" will continue to mean the reverse of human rights.

## Appetite Teasers

Stewing chickens are particularly plentiful right now, a Rutgers University extension specialist reports.

"Chicken has long since outgrown the Sunday dinner class of foods. At last count we were eating close to 30 pounds of it a year per person in this country."

"Nutritionally, chicken is a good protein food and it also contains the B vitamins—thiamin, niacin and riboflavin—as well as phosphorus and iron. Menu-wise, chicken takes the prize for the number of different ways it can be served."

### Casserole Fowl With Vegetables

4 to 5 pound fowl  
Salt and pepper  
Flour  
2 tablespoons butter or  
other fat  
3 carrots  
1 bunch celery  
1 onion  
1 green pepper  
1 cup hot water  
1 cup milk

Cut up the fowl, season with salt and pepper, sprinkle with flour and brown in the fat in a frying pan. Remove the browned pieces to a casserole.

Chop the vegetables and pour them into the frying pan to let them absorb the browned fat. Then transfer them to the casserole with the chicken, add a cup of hot water, and cover.

Cook in a slow oven (275 degrees F.) for 3 to 4 hours, or until the bird is tender. Add more water from time to time if necessary.

Just before serving, remove the pieces of fowl and skim off excess fat from mixture of broth and vegetables. With two tablespoons of this fat, mix and equal quantity of flour and add with milk to the contents of the casserole. Cook for 10 minutes longer, season to taste, and pour the vegetable sauce over the fowl, or replace the pieces of meat in the sauce and serve from the casserole.

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**BARBERS** 827—Meets 3rd Tuesday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8 p.m. Pres. Herbert Ridgway, 224 Abbott St., phone 3470; Rec. Sec., D. L. Hill, 20 W. Gabilan, phone 9085; Fin. Sec., Jimmie Butler, 418 Monterey Ave., phone 3504.

**BRICK MASON**—Meets 2nd Tues., Monday; 4th Tues., Santa Cruz, 7:30 p.m. Pres., Steve Frank, 103 N. First Salinas; Rec. Sec., A. L. Robertson, 520 Cypress, Pacific Grove, phone 58947; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., R. E. Baxter, 64 Villa, Salinas, phone 25708.

**BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY**—Meets 1st Thursday, 8 p.m., Hoffman St., Monterey; 3rd Thursday, 8 p.m., Camino Hotel, Salinas. Pres., Geo. E. Jenkins, 3230 Hotmann Ave., Monterey, phone 2-8456; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Dial H. Miles, office, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 2-2886.

**BUTCHERS** 508 (Salinas Branch)—Meets 1st Monday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Exec. Sec., Earl A. Moorhead; Bus. Agt., E. L. Courtright, 1897 Ellen Ave., San Jose, phone Cypress 5-3849. Main office, 45 Santa Teresa Ave., San Jose, phone Cypress 3-0252.

**CALIFORNIA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR**—C. J. Haggerty, Sec.-Treas., and Legislative Representative, 810 David Hewes Bldg., 995 Market St., San Francisco 3; phone SUtter 1-2838. **District Vice President**, Thomas A. Small, office 114 B St., San Mateo, ph. Diamond 4-7609.

**CARPENTERS** 925—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Carpenters Hall. Pres., Virgil Fransen; Fin. Secy. and Bus. Agt., Harvey Baldwin; Rec. Secy., A. O. Miller; Hall and office, 422 N. Main St., phone 9293.

**CARPENTERS** 1279 (King City) — Meets 1st and 3rd Friday, Carpenters Hall, K.C. Sec. and B.A., Jack Swart, 225 Bassett St., King City, phone 1997.

**CARPENTERS AUXILIARY** 373—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Dorothy Francis; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Carrie Francis; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Jean Pilliar, 123 Prunedale Road, phone 9902.

**CARPENTERS DISTRICT COUNCIL**—Meets 2nd Tuesday, alternating between Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey, King City, 8 p.m. Pres., A. O. Miller, 41 Katherine, Salinas, phone 9293; Vice-Pres., Sam Combs, 440 7th Ave., Santa Cruz, phone 1283-M; Secy.-Treas., Leo E. Thiltgen, 12 Serrano Way, Monterey, phone Monterey 2-0335.

**CENTRAL LABOR UNION** (Monterey County), Salinas—Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays, 8 p.m., 117 Pajaro St., Pres., Dial H. Miles; Secy.-Treas., Alfred J. Clark, Office in Gabilan Bldg., 6 West Gabilan St., Room 18, phone 7787.

**DRY CLEANERS** 33—Meets 3rd Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Labor Temple. Pres., Dempsey McPherson; Sec., Cigudia Sistern; Bus. Agt., Lida Chantler, Office, 45 Santa Teresa, San Jose, phone Cypress 2-1454.

**ELECTRICAL WORKERS** 243—Meets 1st Wednesday; Executive Board 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas. Pres., Frank Korp, 217 Quilla St., phone 2-1151; Rec. Sec., P. M. Lindeman, 246 Dennis St., phone 2-4225.

**ENGINEERS** (Stationary) 39—Meets on call, 117 Pajaro, Salinas, 8 p.m. Pres., Matt Tracy; Sec., Frank Brantley; Mgr., C. C. Fitch; Bus. Agt., R. A. Christiansen, Room 457, Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone Cypress 2-6393. Main office, 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, phone UNDERhill 1-1135.

**FISH CANNERY WORKERS & FISHERMEN'S UNION OF THE PACIFIC, SAN FRANCISCO AND MOSS LANDING BAY AREAS**—Sec.-Treas., Geo. Issei, office 257 5th St., Richmond, phone BEacon 5-0852; Asst. Sec., Chas. Snyder, Office phone BEacon 5-0852; Moss Landing phone, Cas-troville 6613.

**HOTEL-RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES AND BARTENDERS** 355—Meets 2nd Monday, Women's City Club, 9 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. H. Eakin, 46 Barbara Place, phone 2-4465; Sec. and Bus. Mgr.,

## The Bakers' Dozen



President Emeritus Herman Winter (left) and General Secretary-Treasurer Curtis Sims (right) of the Bakers and Confectionery Workers' International Union, proudly assist a lovely bakerette, none other than Paramount Pictures Star Joan Taylor, in presenting the sketch of the AFL union's sixth annual float in the world-famous Pasadena Rose Parade for New Year's Day. The float's title is "The Bakers' Dozen" and features thirteen lovely girls.

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**BARBERS** 272—Meets 2nd Monday at Salinas Labor Temple, 4th Monday at Soledad Forester Hall. Pres., Carl E. Jones; Sec.-Bus. Agt., John F. Matos, Labor Temple, 177 Pajaro, phone 2-7077.

**LATHERS** 122—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. McKrone, Box 514, Freedom; Sec. and B.A., Dean Siefeldt, 1533 First Av., Salinas, phone 5418.

**LAUNDRY WORKERS** 33—Meets 3rd Thursday, 5:15 p.m., Labor Temple. Pres., Hazel Skewes; Sec., Grace MacRossie; Bus. Agt., Lida Chantler, 45 Santa Teresa, Salinas, phone Cypress 2-1454.

**MECHANICS AND MACHINISTS** 1824—Meets 1st Tuesday; Executive Board, 1st Monday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m.; Pres., Wayne Purcell, 22 Harkins Road, phone 2-5159; Fin. Sec., Ed McLean, 262 Noise Dr.; Rec. Sec., C. C. Stover, 537 Green St.; Bus. Agt., Earl Choate, Office, 117 Pajaro, phone 2-0835.

**PAINTERS** 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., Otto Vasquez, 400 Natividad St., phone 2-2907; Rec. Sec., Earl A. Moorhead; Bus. Agt., E. L. Courtright, 1897 Ellen Ave., phone 5-3849; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Peter A. Greco, 417 Lincoln Office, Labor Temple, phone 2-2883.

**PLASTERERS** 763—Meets 2nd Wed., 4th Thurs., Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray Jones, 146 Pine, phone 5530; Rec. and B.A., Carl Smith, home phone 2-2565.

**PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS** 503—Meets 2nd Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Gene Baggett; Rec. Sec., Al Bingham; Fin. Sec., Leo Gray, Office, Labor Temple, phone 2-3517.

**POSTAL CARRIERS** 1046—Meets 3rd Wednesday, Woman's Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., John Ball, 636 Central, phone 2-2961.

**PRESSMEN** 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Ass'ts. Union)—Meets 3rd Monday, 8 p.m., Salinas even months, Monterey odd months; Pres., Mervin E. Tierney, 219 4th St., P.G.; Sec.-Treas., Robt. J. Loveloy, 1366 Alta Vista, Seaside, phone Monterey 2-6901.

**RETAIL CLERKS** 639—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Lawrence Vestal, 406 Calif. St., phone 3624; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Harold F. Miller, 206 Alisal St., phone 2-3366; office phone 1938.

**ROOFERS** 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Melvin Jones, 241 Margaret St., Salinas; Secy. and B.A., Leslie B. Sellers, 934 Syida Dr., Pacific Grove, phone 1233-M; Secy.-Treas., Leo E. Thiltgen, 12 Serrano Way, Monterey, phone Monterey 2-0335.

**SHEET METAL WORKERS** 309—Meets 1st Friday, Franco Hotel, Castroville, Pres., Emil Meyer, 22260 Stevens Creek Road, Cupertino, ph. AX 6-4448; Sec.-Bus. Mgr., Floyd Reed, office 1452 N. 4th St., San Jose; Rec. Sec., James Madriago, 430 N. 4th, San Jose, ph. CY 5-6521; Area Bus. Agt., Harry Foster, 341 Sequoia, Salinas.

**STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS** 611—Meets 1st Tuesdays, Watsonville Labor Temple, 9:30 a.m. Pres., Stanley Falkenberg, 2 Serrano Way, Monterey, phone 27758; Rec. Sec., Al Pierce, 717 Sunset Dr., Capitola, phone Santa Cruz 5629-M; Fin. Sec., Art Jackson, 1223 Kimmel, Salinas; phone 2-0812; Bus. Agt., James Wilson, 228 Peyton, Santa Cruz, phone 2-1216.

**TEACHERS** 1020—Meets 3rd Monday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 7:30 p.m. Pres., John H. Lewis, 522 Crescent Way, Salinas, phone 2-5262; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Thelma Fox, 31 Willow, Salinas, phone 2-3682.

**TECHNICAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN & HELPERS** 890—Meets 2nd Thursday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Paul Mercuro, Carmel; Rec. Sec., L. J. Boyns; Fin. Sec., James O. Jolley, 113 McNear, phone 2-1127.

**TELEGRAPHICAL UNION** 759—Meets 3rd Friday, Bartenders Hall, 7:30 p.m. Pres., Cecil D. Starnes, 1071 Cass St., ph. 2-6156; Sec. A. B. Rotter, 412 Le Lo Vina, ph. 5-5406.

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## OUT THRU GOLDEN GATE

## 90% of Calif's. Usable Water!

By JOHN REBER

While crossing over the Golden Gate bridge, did you ever contemplate that beneath that bridge and flowing out into the ocean through the Golden Gate is the fourth largest volume of fresh water flowing into the sea within the United States? You would have to be crossing over the Mississippi River, or the Columbia River, or the Mobile River to be passing over a bigger volume of water. And there is no river along our Atlantic Coast all the way from Maine through Florida which carries nearly so much fresh water into the ocean as flows out through the Golden Gate.

While driving across the Carquinez Bridge, do you ever consider you are crossing over our country's fourth largest "river" of fresh water just "up stream" from that certain location where it becomes the last and the final time and place where anything at all can be done about saving any portion of that fresh water and putting it to "work" for the overall development of California? Do you further realize that beneath the Carquinez bridge flows one-half of all the fresh water California owns and possess, or ever will own and possess?

But did you ever further ponder that, since another 40 percent of all of California's fresh water flows into the ocean up in the Redwood Empire Country where it is so remote, and from it would be so expensive ever to do anything about that, actually the water which flows beneath the Carquinez Bridge represents 90% of all of California's usable supply of fresh water?

**WATER FROM NOW ON**

Bordering on the twin fresh water lakes of the Reber Plan would be twelve of California's 58 counties. With these fresh water lakes containing an estimated 10,000,000 acre feet of water, and receiving an annual total of an average of about 35,000,000 acre feet, there just could never be any doubts about those 12 counties having a firm water supply from the time the Reber Plan was completed right down the years till Kingdom Come.

Those twelve counties which would border on the Reber Plan fresh water lakes are Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Solano, Yolo, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Contra Costa, Alameda, Santa Clara, San Mateo, and San Francisco. Since little San Francisco County has spent nearly \$200,000,000 on its Hetchy water supply system, can anyone deny that a water supply providing eleven big counties with all the water those eleven counties would require every day of every year from now to eternity would have a value less than a billion? And can anyone deny that if these 12 counties of the Bay Region had all the water they will ever need, plus the cheapest industrial water to be found anywhere in the U.S.A., (industrial water today in the Bay Region is the most expensive in the Nation) that the Bay Region would very soon "grab onto" a billion dollars worth of industrial development?

Once San Francisco Bay is transformed into twin fresh water lakes with the waters warmed by California's sunshine, and with bathing beaches, water sports, fishing, and tourist lure, is there anyone who can deny that shoreline development around our Bay shores should not compare with what has already happened at Miami and Miami Beach, Florida, where the assessed valuation of what has been built in the past 40 years is nearly two billions.

If "put to work" on idle lands, an acre foot of water (there are approximately 1,000,000 gallons of water in three acre feet of water) can produce \$100 every year; and there are plenty of "idle lands" in California to put some of this wasted water to work on. In fact, its mere stratospheric mental arithmetic to figure out that since one acre foot of land requires two acre feet of water to make that land "produce"; and since every

acre irrigated in California averages producing \$200 per year, then putting enough water on 5,000,000 acres would produce new wealth in California to the "tune" of \$1,000,000,000 (that's one billion dollars) each and every year. Where can we find 5,000,000 idle acres? The answer to that is that much land—and more—is right down in the San Joaquin Valley. Where can we find the water? Flowing out through the Golden Gate each and every year is an annual total of about 35,000,000 acre feet. Less than one-third of the water those "powers that be" allow to waste out through the Golden Gate every year and "put to work" on idle lands would add an annual extra billion dollars to California's wealth.

Furthermore, we have right here in the Bay Region more than half million acres of idle land also needing reclaiming and irrigating. And if you don't believe this, when driving across the Golden Gate bridge, just keep on driving and "circling the bay" in Marin and Napa and Sonoma, and Solano Counties, and you'll see hundreds of thousands of acres of gosh-awful "swamp land" which could be producing \$200 per acre with those Reber Plan fresh water lakes functioning. And you'll also see nearly as much acreage in low-elevation hills brown and barren all through the summertime which could be reached with these ultra-modern sprinkling systems and made to produce an all-year crop of grass which will make for "contented cows" and happy and prosperous dairy farmers.

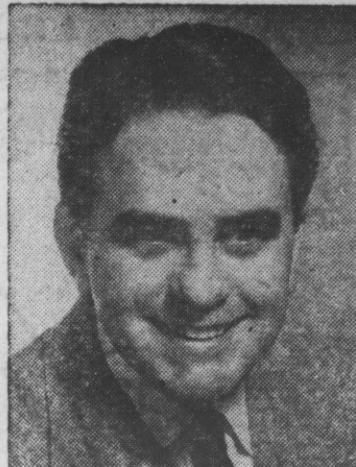
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ALAN SHORT

## Alan Short Wins; Honors Planned

Stockton.

Alan Short, 34-year-old Stockton attorney and former deputy district attorney of San Joaquin County, who won the endorsement of the local and state AFL labor movement, is the new state senator from San Joaquin County, replacing incumbent anti-union Senator Verne Hoffman, with a 198-vote victory in the November 2 general election.

The official canvass showed that Short, a Democrat, polled 31,399 votes and Hoffman, a Republican, received 31,201.

Short won in the First District, with 6,635 votes to Hoffman's 3,661, and in the Third District (the metropolitan area surrounding Stockton), with 10,681 votes to Hoffman's 7,770. Hoffman lead by 7,256 to 5,063 in the Second District, and by 6,586 to 3,117 in the Fourth District (the northern portion of the county). Hoffman barely nosed out Short in the Fifth District, which includes the southern section of the county, with 5,928 votes to Short's 5,903.

Short had a 115-vote margin after the unofficial election night count. He picked up five votes in the official tabulation and gained an additional margin of 78 votes in the absentee balloting for his final margin of 198 votes.

A testimonial dinner will be held for Short on Wednesday, December 15, in the Joaquin Room of the Hotel Stockton.

Among dignitaries expected to attend will be Lt. Governor Powers, Senator Donnelly from Modesto, Assemblyman Ralph Brown from Modesto, Assemblyman John McFall from Manteca, Judge John McNoble of Stockton, Secy. C. J. Haggerty of the California State Federation of Labor, Labor Commissioner William Montgomery, office secretary Elva Roberts of the San Joaquin County District Council of Carpenters, Secy. M. R. Marcus of the San Joaquin County District Council of Carpenters, Secy. - Bus. Rep. Howard Gibson of the San Joaquin County Building and Construction Trades Council, Secy. Henry Hansen of the Central Labor Council of San Joaquin County, Ed Doran of Engineers 3, Bus. Rep. Cliff Dunning of Stockton Carpenters Local 266, and others.

to tickle the whiskers on some old bull seal on Seal Rocks?

Californians could offer additional thanks this Thanksgiving Season to Army Engineers for the "heart-and-soul" manner in which they are going about their overall Bay Survey and those things embodied in the Reber Plan, resulting from that Act of Congress emanating from those U. S. Senate Hearings held in San Francisco, under Senate Resolution No. 119. Thus we do have a great deal to be thankful for. Army Engineers have launched what they claim will be the greatest survey this Nation has known.

Colorful tweed wool makes a town and country coat in the Lawrence of London collection. This features a surprise lining of bright wool jersey that picks up the nubs in the tweed. Bright orange lines a brown and white tweed. Turquoise blue lines a black and white tweed while a soft shade blue picks up the shade of the nubs in a rich blue tweed with a purplish cast.

## The Problem of Preventative Versus Catastrophic Medicine

Richmond.

By BEN RUST

Much has been said decrying the idea that there is merit in the principle of preventative medicine. For instance, on Oct. 2, Dr. Hoskins who is secretary of the medical services committee of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association said (paraphrasing): The problem of preventative medicine is a very complex one. Every doctor is out to prevent sickness, but the question is how far can you go? After all preventative medicine is not new. We have all been for it for years. But we oppose using it as a gimmick or a cure, which it is not.

suggest that as you read them you consider each item in connection with your own medical problems. Preventative medicine, then, considers these things:

1. Preventing an illness which need not have occurred at all.
2. Prevention of unnecessary complications in potentially simple disorders.
3. Knowing that you will be taken care of without added expense which you cannot afford if you get sick.
4. Prevention of premature and needless death.

This order is too big for any welfare union plan. You, as an individual, can see that. This order will have to take in the entire community, public health and all. Therefore preventative medicine involves much more than your own union plan. It involves also what the government, the county, or the community is doing. However, much can also be done within the plans of your union negotiated to further the idea of preventative medicine.

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# Labor News

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Played golf over the holidays, and my opponent told me that the man who lies about his golf score sure has an advantage over the fisherman—the golfer doesn't have to show anything to prove his statement!

Good news from Salinas. The annual Christmas party sponsored by Labor for the Salinas children will be held again this year, if arrangements can be completed in time. Looked for a time as if the parties, which have been popular for more than 10 years, might be discontinued this year.

Monterey County laborites are toying with the idea of going on TV with their story about Labor—idea good but very expensive. Maybe a public relations program through the labor press, or through union members themselves, would be more expedient?

Couple of cards from friends who have been a-traveling (while we sit at home). Helen Bogard, office secy. for San Jose Clerks, sent a card from Boston, showing the Old North Church where Paul Revere got his lantern signals. Helen's back at her job now, the vacation trip a fine memory, especially the pictures she got of the British royal visitor. Other card is from F. O. Jorgensen, secy. of the Santa Clara Valley d. c. carps, who has been in Cincinnati, Oh., for a national convention. His card pictures the airplane that took him there (with Mrs. J.) but doesn't show the brand new car they are driving home.

Lots of elections going on right now. Hope the new secretaries remember to send us the lists of new officers—for directories and for publicity.

Idea of a union man to help the March of Dimes is to be tried out in Watsonville next month. Fred Kelnhofer, union electrician, has designed a collection box which sits atop the parking meters—pay parking, give a dime to fight infantile paralysis. If idea works, will be used elsewhere. Funny how the union people come up with wonderful ideas and actions when the need arises.

Saw this in OVERTURE (Musicians Union 47, Los Angeles), which probably saw it somewhere else. Anyway, thought my friends might like it:

The horse and mule live 30 years  
And nothing know of wine or  
beers.

The goat and sheep at 20 die  
And never taste of scotch or  
rye.

The cow drinks water by the ton  
And at 18 is mostly done.  
The dog at 15 cashes in  
Without the aid of rum or gin.

The cat in milk and water soaks  
And after 12 short years it  
croaks—

The modest, sober, bone-dry hen  
Lays eggs for nogs, then dies  
at 10.

All animals are strictly dry:  
They sinless live and early die.  
But sinful, ginful, rum-soaked  
men

Survive for three score years  
and ten.

And some of us, though mighty  
few,  
Stay pickled 'til we're 92!!!

## SMALLER CONTINENT

North America comprises an area of about 8,300,000 square miles. It is about one-half the size of Asia.



## Star Lines

By  
LOIS  
MORAN

To be sung to the tune of "Rosalie": Eva dear, I love you, Eva dear, you're grand, etc. I suppose you are wondering who is Eva. Well, she is the only gal who responded when I asked for volunteers at Palo Alto Veterans' Hospital a few weeks ago in this column. Eva is the wife of Francis Grimm, a member of the Retail Clerks', AFL. She is a swell person and has made herself well-beloved at the hospital after only three visits. The patients took to her at once, because she was just herself, a friendly, good human being. And she took to them, because they are gentle and good, though troubled human beings.

Won't some of you other women with a few hours free time follow Eva's example? You will find it a heart-warming and rewarding experience. Please come with us and help the vets who need help most.

Love, L. M.

## Unionists, Builders Donate Pool for Victim of Polio

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lowing letter to members of Locals 1323 and 690:

Dear Brothers:

"I want to thank all of you who helped me on the therapy pool for my daughter and wife. Your labors have helped bring the day nearer when they will be well again."

"I have tried to get the story printed in the paper, but apparently the editors do not think it newsworthy that nearly 50 people and firms got together and built a therapy pool so a little girl could walk. I for one think it is the best news that has happened around here for a long time."

"For the benefit of those who don't know why I am writing this letter, let me tell you."

"Two years ago last September my wife and four months old daughter contracted polio and both were paralyzed in their legs. They have had the best of care and the Polio Foundation has spent large sums of money for three months' hospital bills, therapy, doctors, nurses, braces and much more. Without the March of Dimes aid I would have been indebted for life."

"They both have been getting better slowly but the doctors tell us that hydrotherapy will help them as no other treatment would. In fact, my girl will have to learn to swim before she can learn to walk."

"In desperation, I started digging a hole in the front yard that I knew must somehow turn into the much needed pool. Half way through, nine neighbors took shovels and helped me finish digging. Then the project stood still for months as I had no money to buy lumber, steel, concrete, etc."

"One day a friend, Paul Haxdovac, asked how my family was getting on and I told him about the pool and its great need. He took it from there and started the ball rolling and before I knew it I had a pool."

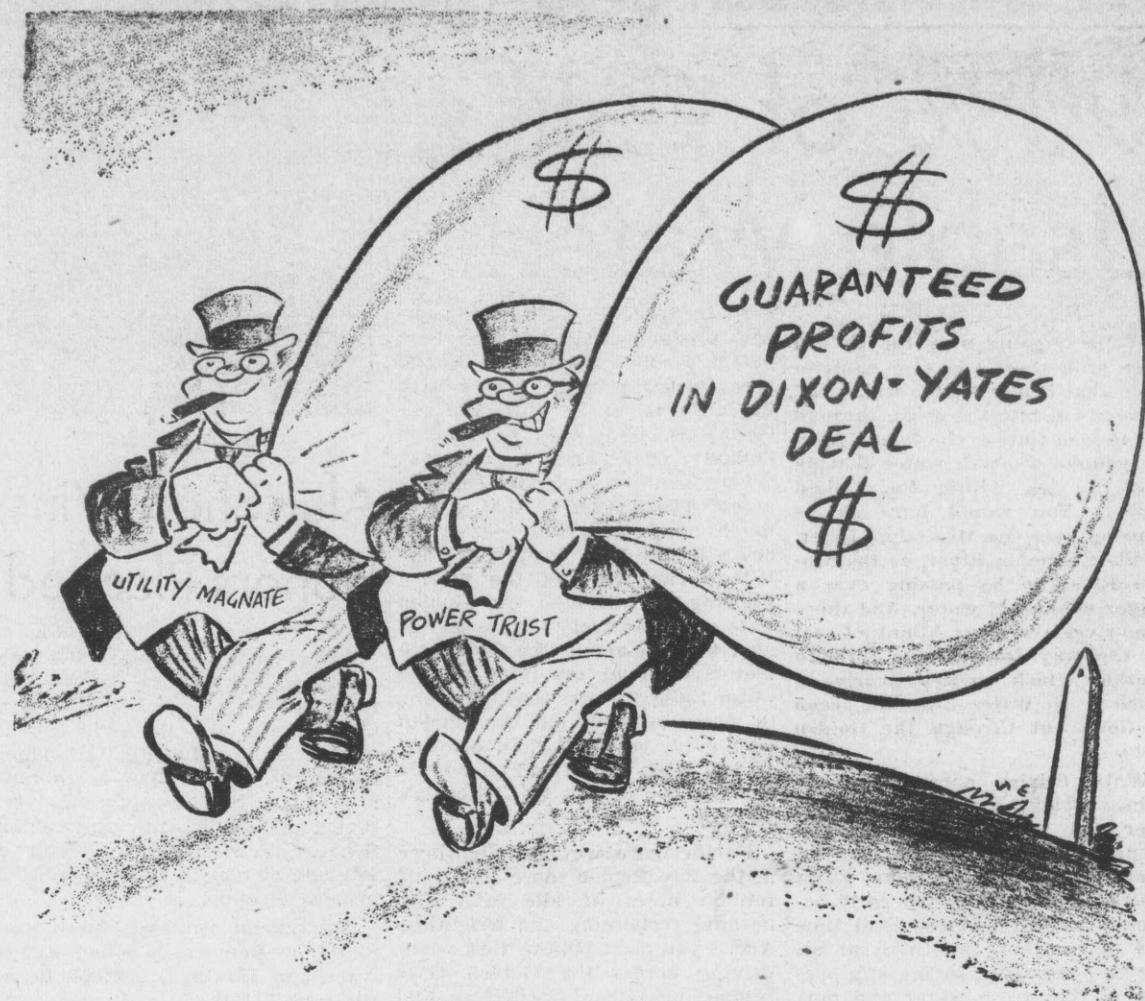
"Once again, on behalf of my wife and daughter, I want to thank you."

"Fraternally yours,  
"NEIL WESTON."

## TEXAS, 11% OF OIL

Texas petroleum reserves account for about 11 per cent of the estimated world reserves.

## The Eleven Percenters



## 42 Million Cast Ballots Nov. 2

With returns still incomplete from many states, it appeared that approximately 42 million votes were cast in the Nov. 2 elections, considerably short of the predicted 45 million, but still a record for a mid-term election.

Approximately 1 million more votes were cast in the 1950, when an estimated 41 million went to the polls. In 1952, when President Eisenhower defeated Adlai E. Stevenson, an all-time national record of 61,093,955 votes were counted in the Presidential race.

Unofficial returns showed that voters cast 1,750,000 more ballots for Democratic than for Republican candidates. Tallies across the Nation showed Democratic candidates received nearly 22 million votes; Republican candidates, more than 20 million. Outside the South, Democratic candidates polled 19,823,519 votes, Republican candidates, 19,451,674—a difference of 371,845 in a total of 39,275,193 votes.

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## U.S. \$855 Million More in the Red This Fiscal Year

Washington — The Eisenhower Administration, which came into office on the pledge of balancing the budget, admitted that the Government went \$855 million more in the red during the first four months of the fiscal year that began last July 1 than it did in the like period of 1953.

The Treasury Department reported that the Federal Government spent \$7.1 billion more than it took in during the July-October period, due chiefly to a drop in net tax receipts.

## Thieves Rob Unions

Cleveland (PAI)—Thieves in this town showed no partiality for the AFL or CIO. They took them both during one week-end. Approximately \$5105 was taken from the AFL Carpenters Union District Building and \$30 was taken from the offices of Local 5, Mechanics Educational Society, CIO.

## Start Organizing Now, AFL Urges

Cincinnati.—Now at peak strength, the American Federation of Labor is planning a number of important organizing campaigns throughout the Nation, Secretary-Treasurer William F. Schnitzler announced.

In an address before the convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America here, Schnitzler declared the time is ripe for all affiliated unions to join in the drive to organize the unorganized.

### HAILS HIGH MORALE

Schnitzler hailed the high morale displayed by AFL unions and their growing activity at state and local levels. He said:

"The constructive work of our unions is not confined to organization, collective bargaining and legislative action. Our unions endeavor to live up to the requirement of good citizenship, which means responsible, active citizenship—outside of, as well as within, the sphere of our own immediate economic interests.

"Every problem affecting the welfare of the entire human community is a matter of concern to us. In every town and city in which our members work and live, we join with other public-spirited individuals and groups in the promotion of the fullest possible development of community services and facilities, both public and private. We work for the improvement of education; for the replacement of slums with decent housing; for better recreational and park facilities; for the improvement of transportation; for expanded health and welfare services.

"In pursuing this course, we are not working for the advantage of trade union members only, but for the welfare of every American family. In our efforts to secure a more representative, responsive administration of local, state and national affairs, we are not working for labor government, but for good government, in the best tradition of American democracy."

### ATTACKS "WORK" LAWS

Schnitzler also launched a bitter attack against the sponsors of the so-called "right-to-work" laws which have been adopted by 17 states and are threatened in many others. He said:

"Many a labor-hater professes to be in favor of 'good' trade unions. But when you analyze his arguments, you find the labor-hater believes the only 'good' way to really make him happy would be to close up shop and leave our members to the mercy of Providence and the company boss.

"Among the busiest of that order

today are those who are now trying to force these so-called 'right-to-work' or compulsory open shop laws down the throats of the citizens of the several states. Their hidden purpose, of course, is to deprive workers of the right to work in a union shop and to be represented and defended by a strong and effective organization of their own choice.

### FREEDOM IN UNIONS

"Millions of jobless men are on the streets today, looking for work. Who deprived them of the right to work? The same employers who use this slogan with such smug hypocrisy, as a weapon for the destruction of unions, put those men on the streets.

"The trade union movement has demanded again and again that these millions be given an opportunity for productive employment, so that they may work in dignity and self-respect and at a decent wage. Yet, those same employers that are laying off, refusing to hire, and fighting our efforts to do something for the unemployed, have the gall to accuse the trade union movement of denying men the 'right-to-work.'

"Those same employers who—before the rise of trade unionism—kept their workers in a state of virtual peonage; who worked them 12 hours a day; who compelled them to live in company shacks, take their pay in company script, and buy at company stores; and who kept them in a state of submission with company police, today dare to charge that a working man surrenders his freedom when he joins a union.

"The working man does not gain his full freedom until he joins a union. The alternative to trade unionism is not freedom but industrial tyranny—unchecked, unbalanced and unrestrained."

## Dividend Payments Jump \$41 Million

Corporation stockholders received \$41 million more in dividends last month than they did in October 1953, the Commerce Department reported. The total was \$594 million.

Payments for the first 10 months of the year amounted to \$7 billion—or \$500 million more than the like period a year ago.